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Invitation to Introductory PRP Meeting for the Beede Waste Oil Superfund Site

- WHO:** All Beede potentially responsible parties (PRPs) and their representatives.
- WHEN:** Thursday, July 11, 2002, from 10AM to 1PM (room available until 5:00 PM for PRP discussions).
- WHERE:** Downtown Boston - location and directions provided when you RSVP.
- RSVP:** To attend, call the Beede Hotline at 1-888-294-6980 or 617-737-1512 by close of business on July 8, 2002. Please identify PRP, PRP ID number, and name(s) and PRP association of each person attending. Due to space considerations, attendance will be limited to 3 persons per PRP.
- QUESTIONS:** Call the Beede Hotline at 1-888-294-6980 or 617-737-1512.

This invitation is being extended to all PRPs associated with the Beede Waste Oil Superfund Site who have not yet settled with EPA,¹ and their representatives. The purpose of this introductory Beede PRP meeting is to encourage parties to organize into PRP groups, if they have not done so already, and to provide all parties with general information about remedy selection, costs, and the expected timing of future settlement negotiations for the final remedy.

Once parties organize into PRP groups, they will need to form a *steering committee* representing all interested parties for future negotiations with EPA. The goal of future settlement negotiations will be to reach a comprehensive settlement agreement for the final clean up of the Site, including the resolution of other outstanding site-related costs.

At the meeting, after EPA concludes its presentation and answers questions, the parties will be free to use the facility to continue PRP discussions for the remainder of the day.

Also note that the Proposed Plan of Remedial Alternatives, in which EPA proposes a final remedy for the Site, will be made publicly available and mailed to all PRPs and members of the Plaistow community beginning on Monday, June 17. The Proposed Plan mailing will also identify dates for an informational meeting (to be held in late June) and hearing (to be held in July), during which EPA will answer questions and accept verbal comments concerning only the proposed remedy.

¹ Any party who plans to participate in the EPA Second *De Minimis* settlement, which was offered to all eligible PRPs who sent between 276 and 5,000 gallons of hazardous waste to Beede by EPA letter dated May 28, 2002, need not attend this meeting, since this settlement will conclude their involvement with the Beede site.



**NOTE: ADDENDUM TO THE EPA
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for the Beede Waste Oil Superfund Site**

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This invitation was issued in mid-June, 2002 to all non-settled PRPs associated with the Beede Waste Oil Superfund Site, and their representatives. The purpose of this introductory Beede PRP meeting is to encourage parties to organize into PRP groups, if they have not done so already, and to provide all parties with general information about remedy selection, costs, and the expected timing of future settlement negotiations for the final remedy. At this meeting, EPA will also identify prerequisites for commencement of negotiations with EPA for a global settlement.

Some PRPs and their representatives have expressed interest in presenting a global settlement proposal for the Beede site while all interested parties, including EPA, are present. In response, EPA has agreed to use the afternoon of July 11, between 1 PM and 5 PM, to listen to any PRP or PRP group who is prepared to make a presentation concerning global settlement and clean up of the Beede site. While EPA will listen to PRP presentations made on the afternoon of July 11, we will not be able to respond to proposals at that time.

If you are a PRP at Beede, or a legal or technical representative of a PRP or PRP group, and wish to make a presentation on the afternoon of July 11, please call the Beede Hotline as soon as possible, and no later than close of business on Monday, July 8, to indicate interest. When you call the Hotline, please provide the following information: the specific identity of the PRP or PRP group and its representative(s); a general description of the proposal; the length of time desired; and a contact person for the week of July 8. EPA will then coordinate timing and call parties back on Tuesday, July 9. EPA will try to provide the amount of time requested, but please note that, in the interest of time, presentations may need to be brief. Presentations must address final settlement and clean up of the Beede site, and not other individual liability concerns.

The July 11 meeting is a confidential settlement conference between EPA and parties to an enforcement action, and only PRPs and their legal or technical representatives are permitted to attend. Although this meeting is a confidential settlement conference, because it is introductory in nature, we will not be conducting actual negotiations at this meeting.